

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS
CENTRAL DIVISION**

MELISSA MOODY CROSS

PLAINTIFF

v.

Case No. 4:20-cv-00284-LPR

LINDA MARSHAL

DEFENDANT

ORDER

Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* ("IFP") is DENIED without prejudice. (Doc. 1). Although some information in Plaintiff's Motion might suggest that she may be eligible for IFP status, she has not provided clear and sufficient answers to the information requested on the Application to Proceed in District Court Without Prepaying Fees or Costs. *Id.* The Court is therefore unable to conclude that Plaintiff has met the standard for IFP status. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a).

The Court may dismiss a complaint *sua sponte* if it is frivolous or fails to state a claim upon which relief may be granted. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B); *Key v. Does*, 217 F. Supp. 3d 1006, 1008 (E.D. Ark. 2016). Although a *pro se* complaint is construed liberally, it must allege sufficient facts to support legally cognizable claims. *Stone v. Harry*, 364 F.3d 912, 914 (8th Cir. 2004). After considerable effort, the Court is unable to decipher Plaintiff's Complaint. (Doc. 2). It remains unclear what causes of action she is trying to advance. It is equally unclear what facts she is alleging to support the legal claims that she is trying to advance.

Accordingly, the Complaint is DISMISSED without prejudice.¹ The Court certifies that

¹ The Court entered a similar Order in the case of *Melissa Cross v. Katrina Cross, et al.* (1:19-cv-00108-LPR). (Doc. 4). In that case, Ms. Cross filed a similarly deficient Motion for Leave to Proceed IFP and a Complaint that was also indecipherable as to the claims and facts alleged. (Docs. 1, 2).

an IFP appeal taken from the Order and Judgment dismissing this action is considered frivolous and not in good faith.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 19th day of March 2020.



UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE